THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) to (d) These facts pertain to the details of internal activities of Rashtriya Kendriya Vidyalaya Adhyapak Sangh. The Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan does not carry these activities.

National Convention of Kendriya Vidyalaya Adhyapak Sangh

940. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the first National Convention of Rashtriya Kendriya Vidyalaya Adhyapak Sangh was recently held in Delhi;

(b) if so, the names of the delegates who represented different Kendriya Vidyalayas in the said Convention;

(c) the list of office-bearers elected in the Convention;

(d) the lists of resolutions adopted at the Convention; and

(e) whether the election of office-bearers was in conformity with the relevant provisions of the constitution of the said Sangh; if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (e) These are the details of internal activities of Rashtriya Kendriya Vidyalaya Adhyapak Sangh. The Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan not being directly concerned with these activities, does not maintain such information.

Bridges on National Highways in M. P.

941. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the number of bridges on National Highways which are pending completion in the State of Madhya Pradesh;

(b) what is the number of them that are pending beyond the projected time schedule;

(c) what are the reasons, if any, for the delay; and

(d) what are the steps taken by Government to expedite their completion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Fifty two bridges on National Highways are in progress.

(b) The number of such bridges is 6.

(c) The reasons for the delay are the technical problems encountered during execution such as variation in foundation strata from the one anticipated originally, non-availability of quality construction materials as also the poor response from the contracting firms at the time of floating the tenders.

(d) All out efforts are being made by the State PWD to step up progress on the above six projects and of these four are likely to be completed during the current financial year itself.

Faster Train Service between Indore and Bhopal

942. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that whereas the distance between Indore and Bhopal in Madhya Pradesh can be covered by road in about three hours, trains take more than double of this time and therefore, thousand of commuters do not avail of rail transport facility between these two major cities of the State every day;

(b) wheher it is also a fact that various organisations and people's representatives

have been demanding for a long time that a faster train in the form of an inter-city express should be introduced on this route; and

(c) if so, what is Government's response thereto?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) to (c) Whereas the distance by road is about 190 Kms., the same by rail is 261 Kms. The journey time by luxury buses is 1 hour less and by ordinary buses is only 30 minutes less as compared to the time taken by an express train. Various representations are received for introduction of trains from Indore/Bhopal for different destinations in the country. Within the limited resources available with the Railways, a weekly express train between Indore and Howrah (*viz* Bhopal) is being introduced from August, 1988. A direct train between Indore and Madras (*via* Bhopal) is also proposed for introduction from the next time table.

Ticketless Travelling in Railways

943. SHRI AJIT P. K. JOGI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the incidence of ticketless travelling has been increasing in railways of late;

(b) whether the zones where ticketless travel is rampant has been identified;

(c) if so, what steps are being taken to check it; and

(d) the number of ticketless travellers who have been caught and booked during each of the last three years?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) In adidtion to normal checks, following measures are taken to combat ticketless travel:—

(i) Massive concentrated checks by deploying large number of TTE, RPF and GRP staff with a view to ensure hundred per cent check of passengers in trains.

(ii) Magisterial checks.

(iii) Cross country checks i.e. checks conducted by engaging buses and intercepting trains in mid-section; and

(iv) Ambush checks.

(Figures in lakhs)

(d) Year	No. of persons caught without ticket or with improper ticket
1985-86	50.49
1986-87	59.72
1987-88	67.20

उत्तर प्रदेश के मैनपुरी जिले में शिकोहाबाद स्टेशन के निकट रेलवे क्रासिंग पर ओवर-ब्रिज का निर्माण

944. **श्री राम नरेश यादव :** क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या जनता को पेश आ रही कठिनाइयों को दूर करने और रेलगाड़ियों आदि के आवागमन को अच्छी तरह संचालित करने की ध्यान में रखते हुए उत्तर प्रदेश के मैनपुरी जिले में शिकोहाबाद स्टेशन के निकट रेलवे क्रासिंग पर एक ओवरब्रिज का निर्माण करने का कोई प्रस्ताव सरकार के विचाराधीन है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इसका निर्माण कब तक किए जाने की संभावना है ;

(ग) उस पर कितना खर्च आने की संभावना है ; और

(घ) उसके निर्माण कार्य में हो रहे विलम्ब के क्या कारण हैं ?